GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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Technical Textile Sector
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether technical textile sector has been recognised as the fastest growing segment of textile industry in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of schemes/projects underway to boost technical textile sector;

(c) the funds allocated and utilised for the purpose during the last and the current Plan period, Plan-wise; and

(d) the other steps being taken by the Government to promote technical textile sector in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *78 FOR ANSWER ON 21.07.2016.

(a): Yes, Madam. As per the estimates of the Working Group for the Textiles Industry for the 12th Five Year Plan, the market size of Indian technical textile industry is expected to grow from INR 76,000 crore in 2012-2013 to INR 1.58 lakh crore by 2016-17, at an anticipated growth rate of 20% year-on-year.

(b): The details of the schemes/projects of Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India, underway to boost technical textile sector is annexed.

(c): Plan-wise allocation and utilization of funds under various schemes of technical textiles sector is as follows:
(Rs in Crore)
Table-1
Name of the Scheme Plan period Fund Allocation/ Authorization Expenditure
Technology Mission on Technical Textiles (TMTT) 11th Plan
(2010-11 to 2011-12) 81.39 61.50
12th Plan
(2012-13 to 2016-17) 140.365 105.595
Total 221.755 167.095

Table-2 (Rs in Crore)
Name of the Scheme Plan period Fund Allocation/ Authorization Expenditure
Scheme for promoting usage of Agrotextiles in North East Region* 12th Plan
(2012-13 to 2016-17) 34.32 19.32
* The Scheme for promoting usage of Agrotextiles in North East Region was approved during December 2012.

Table-3 (Rs in Crore)
Name of the Scheme Plan period Fund Allocation/ Authorization Expenditure
Scheme for promoting usage of Geotechnical textiles in North East Region** 12th Plan (2014-15 to
2016-17) 39.00 7.63
**The Scheme for promoting usage of Geo-technical Textiles in North East Region was approved during December 2014.

(d): The other steps being taken by the Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India to promote Technical Textile sector in the country are as follows:

(i) Under the "Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (A-TUFS)", it is one of the focus area and 15% capital investment subsidy is provided on eligible machines under Technical Textiles.
(ii) In the budget announcement for 2016-17, custom duties on select speciality fibres have been reduced to promote the sector.
(iii) Standards of different segments of Technical Textiles are being notified from time to time.
(iv) Ministry of Textiles is organizing an annual premier show on technical textiles TECHNOTEX with the objective of promotion and building business linkages between the Indian Technical Textile Industry and the participating International Technical textile fraternity.

Annexure

Details of schemes/projects of Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India, underway to boost technical textile sector

I. Technology Mission on Technical Textiles (TMTT):
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Ministry of Textiles has launched Technology Mission on Technical Textiles (TMTT) with two mini- missions for a period of five years (from 2010-11 to 2014-15) with a fund outlay of Rs. 200 crore during December 2010.The scheme completed its tenure in 2014-15 and it has been extended for the remaining two years i.e. 2015-16 & 2016-17 of 12th five year plan. The following new components have been added to the scheme during its extended period:-

a) Scheme for Promoting usage of Agrotextiles in Rest of India:

With the overwhelming response of the Schemes for promoting usage of Agrotextiles in NER, a new Component "Scheme for Promoting Usage of Agrotextiles in Rest of India" has been introduced & funded under Mini-Mission-II of Technology Mission on Technical Textiles (TMTT) for a period of two years (2015-16 & 2016-17) with a fund outlay of Rs. 5.00 crores, for Promoting Usage of Agrotextiles.

(b) Focus Incubation Centers (FIC)

In order to help the potential investors to enter into technical textiles, Ministry of Textiles is setting up Focus Incubation Centers (FIC) in the COEs established under TMTT on plug and play model. Accordingly an amount of Rs.17.45 crores has been sanctioned to six CoEs namely ATIRA, DKTE, NITRA, PSG College of Tech, SASMIRA & SITRA for setting up of FICs.

II. Scheme for promoting usage of Agrotextiles in North-Eastern Region:

The Ministry of Textiles, Government of India has approved the scheme with a total fund outlay of Rs.55 crore. The aim of the scheme is to encourage utilization of Agrotextiles in improving the agriculture, horticulture, floricultural & sericulture produce of the N-E states through awareness programmes, development of Agrotextile products suitably customized for use in the North-Eastern region.

III. Scheme for promoting usage of Geotechnical textiles in North-Eastern Region:

The Government has approved the Scheme for promoting usage of Geotechnical textiles on 3rd December 2014 with a total outlay of Rs. 427 crore for a period of 5 years from 2014-15 to 2018-19 . The objective of the scheme is to promote and utilize Geo-textiles in development of the infrastructure in the NE states by providing technological and financial support for meeting incremental costs, if any, due to the usage of Geo textiles in existing/ new projects in road, hill/ slope protection & water reservoirs. The Projects would be identified in consultation with the State-Governments & concerned Stakeholder Agencies.

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